

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Previously Presented) A method, performed by logic on a printer driver and/or logic on a printer, of selecting one of a plurality of print settings for printing a current document comprising:

the logic automatically gathering historical document data relating to prior print setting selections;

the logic automatically correlating each prior print setting selection, including a user's prior print setting preferences, with one or more characteristics of the current document data;

the logic automatically comparing the correlated print setting selections to one or more characteristics of the current document; and

the logic automatically selecting a print setting from among the prior print settings, the selected print setting being best suited to the user's prior print setting preferences.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The method of printing of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

the logic automatically determining an amount of text data in the current document; and

the logic automatically favoring a print setting associated with the current document based on the amount of text data and the user's prior print setting preference.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of printing of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

the logic automatically determining an amount of image data in the current document; and

the logic automatically adjusting a print setting associated with the current document based on the amount of image data and the user's prior print setting preferences.

5. (Previously Presented) A method of selecting one of a plurality of print settings for printing a document comprising:

the logic automatically comparing an amount of text data in the document and an amount of image data in the document with a user's prior print setting preference associated with prior documents having a similar amount of text data and image data; and

the logic automatically selecting a print setting for the document from the plurality of print settings based on the comparison.

6.-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) A method, performed by logic on a printer driver and/or logic on a printer, of selecting one of a plurality of print settings for printing a current document comprising the steps of:

the logic automatically gathering prior document data relating to prior print setting selections including a user's preferred print setting associated with the prior document data;

the logic automatically comparing the prior print setting selections and associated prior document data to at least one characteristic of the current document; and

the logic automatically selecting a print setting for the document based on the comparison, the selected print setting being best suited to the user's preferred print setting associated with the prior document data.

9. (Previously Presented) A method of selecting one of a plurality of print settings for printing a current document comprising the steps of:

automatically analyzing a plurality of characteristics relating to document data in the current document, the plurality of characteristics including a host device type, a type

of text data, a type of image data, an infrared communication, and a radio frequency communication;

automatically comparing the plurality of characteristics relating to document data in the current document with a user's prior print setting preference associated with prior documents having similar characteristics; and

automatically selecting a print setting for the current document from the plurality of print settings based on the comparison.

10.-12.(Canceled)

13. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of automatically weighting each of the plurality of characteristics according to at least one factor, including a factor associated with a physical setting in which the printer is being used.

14.-16.(Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium having instructions for causing a printing device to perform a method, comprising:

automatically analyzing a plurality of characteristics relating to document data in the current document, the plurality of characteristics including a host device type, a type of text data, a type of image data, an infrared communication, and a radio frequency communication;

automatically comparing the plurality of characteristics relating to document data in the current document with a user's prior print setting preference associated with prior documents having similar characteristics; and

automatically selecting a print setting for the current document from the plurality of print settings based on the comparison.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of automatically weighting each of the plurality of characteristics according to at least one

factor, including a factor associated with a user preference input that reflects a desired balance between print quality in the current document and speed of printing the current document.

19-24. (Canceled).